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Enclosed are the following documents:

1. Petition to Withdraw Abandonment Since Reply was Timely Filed,
2. Copy of the Reply mailed March 18, 2002; and
3. Copy of the postcard which was dated-stamped by the PTO on March 26, 2002

PATENT
0259-0411P

IN THE U.S. PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant: DALLE CARBONARE, M. Conf.: 6340
Appl. No.: 10/019,387 Group:
Filed: December 28, 2001 Examiner:
For: USE OF HYALURONIC ACID DERIVATIVES IN
PHARMACEUTICAL PREPARATIONS AND
BIOMATERIALS FOR THE PREVENTION AND
TREATMENT OF CUTANEOUS SCARS

PETITION TO WITHDRAW ABANDONMENT
SINCE REPLY WAS TIMELY FILED

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P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

May 2, 2003

Sir:

In response to the Notice of Abandonment mailed March 6, 2003, which issued in connection with the above-identified application, this is a Petition to withdraw the "abandonment status" of the present application, since a Reply was timely filed on March 18, 2002. As evidence of the fact that a Reply was timely filed, enclosed herewith are the following:

- a copy of the Reply filed March 18, 2002; and
- a copy of the postcard receipt which was date-stamped on March 26, 2002.

It is requested that the abandonment status of the present application be immediately removed so that prosecution may resume with full consideration and entry into the record of the timely filed Reply.

Appl. No. 10/019,387

If the U.S. Patent Examiner has any questions regarding the above matters, please contact Applicants' representative, Leonard R. Svensson, at the phone number listed below.

It is submitted that no fees are required for filing this Petition, since the error occurred because of a mistake on the part of the USPTO.

If necessary, the Commissioner is hereby authorized in this, concurrent, and future replies, to charge payment or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 02-2448 for any additional fee required under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16 or 1.17; particularly, extension of time fees.

Respectfully submitted,

BIRCH, STEWART, KOLASCH & BIRCH, LLP

By 
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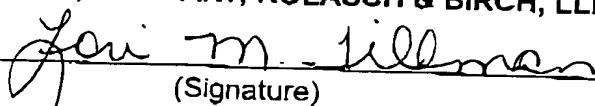
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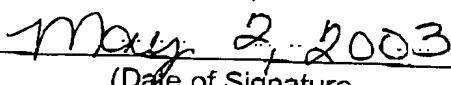
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PATENT
2039-0156P

IN THE U.S. PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

APPLICANT: Maurizio Dalle Carbonare et al.
INTERNATIONAL APPL. NO.: PCT/EP00/06087
APPL. NO.: 10/019,387
Conf.: 6340
FILED: December 28, 2001
FOR: USE OF HYALURONIC ACID DERIVATIVES IN PHARMACEUTICAL PREPARATIONS AND BIOMATERIALS FOR THE PREVENTION AND TREATMENT OF CUTANEOUS SCARS

LETTER SUBMITTING ADDITIONAL DOCUMENTS FOR
ENTERING NATIONAL PHASE FOR A PCT APPLICATION

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Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, DC 20231

March 18, 2002

Sir:

Under the provisions of 37 C.F.R. § 1.494 or 37 C.F.R. § 1.495, attached hereto are the following additional items necessary for entering the national phase in connection with the above-identified PCT international application.

- Executed Declaration and Power of Attorney.
 - Original Photocopy
- The specification attached to the executed Declaration and Power of Attorney is a true copy of the specification which was filed in the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office on December 28, 2001, including any amendments thereto (if applicable) filed on even date therewith.

Appl. No. 10/019,387

The undersigned hereby declares that "Attorney Docket No. 2039-0156P" on page 1 of the attached inventors' Declaration corresponds to Appl. No. 10/019,387 filed December 28, 2001 entitled "USE OF HYALURONIC ACID DERIVATIVES IN PHARMACEUTICAL PREPARATIONS AND BIOMATERIALS FOR THE PREVENTION AND TREATMENT OF CUTANEOUS SCARS."

English language specification, claims, and Abstract with () sheets of drawings.

Applicant claims small entity status under 37 C.F.R. § 1.27.

Attached is a copy of the Notification of Missing Requirements (Formalities Letter).

No extension fee is required because the undersigned has not yet received the Notification of Missing Requirements (Formalities Letter). However, if for some reason it is determined that an extension of time is necessary, applicant hereby respectfully petitions for an extension of time for the filing of the present paper in accordance with the provisions of 37 C.F.R. § 1.136 and 37 C.F.R. § 1.17.

Applicant(s) hereby respectfully petitions for () month(s) extension of time for the filing of the present paper in accordance with the provisions of 37 C.F.R. § 1.136 and 37 C.F.R. § 1.17. The required fee of \$0.00 is attached hereto.

Appl. No. 10/019,387

The Government Filing Surcharge in the amount of \$130.00 in accordance with 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.494 and 1.492 was previously paid for concurrently with the filing of the application on December 28, 2001.

- Submitted concurrently herewith under separate cover for recording is an Assignment.
- A Fee of \$0.00 to cover the increase in fees of the filing Surcharge is enclosed.
- Check(s) in the amount of \$0.00 to cover the above-mentioned fees is/are enclosed.

If necessary, the Commissioner is hereby authorized in this, concurrent, and future replies, to charge payment or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 02-2448 for any additional fee required under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16 or 1.17; particularly, extension of time fees.

Respectfully submitted,

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As a below named inventor, I hereby declare that my residence, post office address and citizenship are as stated next to my name; that I verily believe that I am the original, first and sole inventor (if only one inventor is named below) or an original, first and joint inventor (if plural inventors are named below) of the subject matter which is claimed and for which a patent is sought on the invention entitled:

Insert Title:

USE OF HYALURONIC ACID DERIVATIVES IN PHARMACEUTICAL PREPARATIONS AND BIOMATERIALS FOR THE PREVENTION AND TREATMENT OF CUTANEOUS SCARS

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the specification of which is attached hereto. If not attached hereto,
the specification was filed on December 28, 2001 as
United States Application Number _____;
and amended on _____ (if applicable) and/or
the specification was filed on June 29, 2000 as PCT
International Application Number PCT/EP00/06087; and was
amended under PCT Article 19 on _____ (if applicable)

I hereby state that I have reviewed and understand the contents of the above-identified specification, including the claims, as amended by any amendment referred to above.

I acknowledge the duty to disclose information which is material to patentability as defined in Title 35, Code of Federal Regulations, §1.56.

I do not know and do not believe the same was ever known or used in the United States of America before my or our invention thereof, or patented or described in any printed publication in any country before my or our invention thereof or more than one year prior to this application, that the same was not in public use or on sale in the United States of America more than one year prior to this application, that the invention has not been patented or made the subject of an inventor's certificate issued before the date of this application in any country foreign to the United States of America on an application filed by me or my legal representative or assigns more than twelve months (six months for designs) prior to this application, and that no application for patent or inventor's certificate on this invention has been filed in any country foreign to the United States of America prior to this application by me or my legal representatives or assigns, except as follows.

I hereby claim foreign priority benefits under Title 35, United States Code, §119(a)-(d) of any foreign application(s) for patent or inventor's certificate listed below and have also identified below any foreign application for patent or inventor's certificate having a filing date before that of the application on which priority is claimed:

Prior Foreign Application(s)

Priority Claimed

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I hereby claim the benefit under Title 35, United States Code, §120 of any United States and/or PCT application(s) listed below and, insofar as the subject matter of each of the claims of this application is not disclosed in the prior United States and/or PCT application in the manner provided by the first paragraph of Title 35, United States Code, §112, I acknowledge the duty to disclose information which is material to the patentability as defined in Title 35, Code of Federal Regulations, §1.56 which became available between the filing date of the prior application and the national or PCT international filing date of this application.

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Attorney Docket No. 2039-0156P

I hereby appoint the practitioners at CUSTOMER NO. 2292 as my attorneys or agents to prosecute this application and/or an international application based on this application and to transact all business in the United States Patent and Trademark Office connected therewith and in connection with the resulting patent based on instructions received from the entity who first sent the application papers to the practitioners, unless the inventor(s) or assignee provides said practitioners with a written notice to the contrary:

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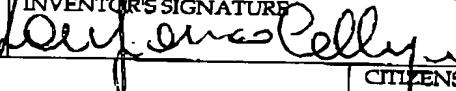
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I hereby declare that all statements made herein of my own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under Section 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application or any patent issued thereon.

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NOTIFICATION OF MISSING REQUIREMENTS UNDER 35 U.S.C. 371 IN THE UNITED STATES DESIGNATED/ELECTED OFFICE (DO/EO/US)

The following items have been submitted by the applicant or the IB to the United States Patent and Trademark Office as an Elected Office (37 CFR 1.495):

- U.S. Basic National Fees
- Priority Document
- Copy of IPE Report
- Copy of references cited in ISR
- Copy of the International Application
- Copy of the International Search Report
- Information Disclosure Statements
- Preliminary Amendments
- Request for Immediate Examination

The following items **MUST** be furnished within the period set forth below in order to complete the requirements for acceptance under 35 U.S.C. 371:

- Oath or declaration of the inventors, in compliance with 37 CFR 1.497(a) and (b), identifying the application by the International application number and international filing date.

ALL OF THE ITEMS SET FORTH ABOVE MUST BE SUBMITTED WITHIN TWO (2) MONTH FROM THE DATE OF THIS NOTICE OR BY 22 or 32 MONTHS (where 37 CFR 1.495 applies) FROM THE PRIORITY DATE FOR THE APPLICATION, WHICHEVER IS LATER. FAILURE TO PROPERLY RESPOND WILL RESULT IN ABANDONMENT.

The time period set above may be extended by filing a petition and fee for extension of time under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a).

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